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**Application No.:** 10/677,717

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The present application contains claims 1-13 and 21. Claims 1, 6 and 11 have been amended. Claim 21 has been newly added. Claims 14-20 have been cancelled.

Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Ho for the courtesy of conducting telephone interviews on March 12, 2008 and March 13, 2008, and further wishes to thank the Examiner for the helpful suggestions put forth to place the present application in better condition for allowance.

Examiner Ho indicated the allowability of claims 1-13 but requested amendment of claims 1, 6 and 11 to fully comply with 35 U.S.C. §112.

Responsive to the Examiner's suggestions, claims 1, 6 and 11 have been amended at the last line of each of these claims so as to exactly track the teachings of the specification and specifically, page 8, paragraph [0056], line 2. It is submitted that these claims now comply with 35 U.S.C. §112 and this was confirmed by Examiner Ho in the telephone discussion conducted March 13, 2008.

Claims 14-20 have been cancelled without prejudice to Applicant to expedite the prosecution of the present application.

New claim 21 depends from claim 1 and is submitted to be patentable for the same reasons that claim 1 is considered to be patentable as indicated by the

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Examiner. In addition, support for the recitation in claim 21 is found in paragraph [0028], page 5, lines 2-4.

It is submitted that no new matter has been added by these amendments.

It is respectfully requested that reconsideration of the merits of the present application and allowance thereof are earnestly solicited.

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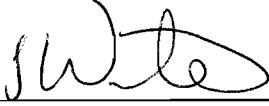
**Conclusion**

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, including claims 1-13 and 21, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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